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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Study Outline on U.S. Position in World  
Compared with Other Nations

1. Following up on a conversation I had with you last week, I would like to see a study outline on what's happened to our relative position in the world in oil, steel, electronics, nuclear power and the policies in other nations which may have tilted technology and productive capacity in their direction; the implications for our national security, foreign policy, nonproliferation policies, etc.; and how we lost our leadership and became irrelevant on nuclear power. ☐

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2. This may require experience and information which we don't have in-house, and we ought to think about assembling a panel to address this subject in a broad way. ☐

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3. Remember also, as stated in our meeting last week, I want a similar look at the relationship between greater technology and credibility for the West and the ability for the Soviet Union to sustain itself on the program, as well as spend as much as it now does in supporting coup and proxy and other satellite countries. ☐

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